

August 7, 2004

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re Ex Parte Communication

In the Matter of Review of the Section 251 Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers, Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, deployment of Wireline Services Offering Advanced Telecommunications Capability, CC Docket No. 01-338, CC Docket No. 96-98, CC Docket No. 98-147

Dear Ms. Dortch,

Dr. Mark Cooper met with Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein and Scott Bergmann and described his concern about the collapse of CLEC competition in the wake of the decision not to appeal the TRO. He stressed the fact that the states had been working toward clear definition of markets where UNE-P could be withdrawn and replaced by UNE-L, as long as the hot cut problems could be solved.

Sincerely,

Mark Cooper